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Sir:

**COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 20, 2004  
OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This Communication is submitted in response to the October 20, 2004 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the October 20, 2004 Office Action was due November 20, 2004. Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time. The required fee is \$225.00, and a check for that amount is enclosed. With the two-month extension, a response to the October 20, 2004 Office Action is now due January 20, 2005. However, since January 20, 2005 was Inauguration Day, and hence a Federal Holiday pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.7 and §1.9, a response filed on the following business day, i.e., Friday, January 21, 2005, is to be considered timely. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

In the Office Action, the Examiner restricted pending claims 1-57 to one of the following allegedly distinct inventions under 35